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Cover: addressed to "H Aubrey Hall Esqre / Mt Satirist Station / Whim Creek / WA"

Note: the letter is not signed; Joy did not finish it. See her next letter (31 August 1922); the two letters are in the same envelope

Joy Clifton to H A Hall, 28 July 1922

Perth

c/o F W Holmes

73 Newcastle St

July 28 1922

Dear Aubrey

I wonder how you are all getting on, it is such years since anyone wrote to me but suppose I'm a culprit too.

Sam has let his farm for 2 years, to a returned man who has the right of purchase, Eva seemed greatly relieved to hand Anderton over to Mr Priestly, he is too much for her. The Sams may buy a home, anyway they seem to be staying with Eva until Dec, so Willie said. Loulou has been advised (today) to continue her original drawings of dolls for children & the friend knows someone who can put her in the way of making money out of them.

You asked me who are the Darkers. Mr D was in the same office with Mr Rolland (a real good sort) now a railway construction Engineer. Mrs D a BA had a school in West Perth, I can't give her name, as I promised not to, a brother of hers is a professional man but she is ashamed of him. You may have heard of him & — — — —

It would be interesting to know if a priest or our clergy man married Petty Rowe & Durack, 3 announcements, & it was cunningly left out.

Thank you so much for the photo, think I will return it soon, as there seems no hope of seeing the "Harrassed One". Mr Linton is not in the museum, what an insult, he is still teaching Loulou [?freehand] (& [---] model drawing).

*Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup>* most trying for Lou & self music exam by Dr Ford, she gets strung up fearfully, we don't know yet if she passed.

Mrs Pearse & Bob are at Gabeon with Lu, & have let their house for 3 months. We had a painter who is still here helping Ger go through with everything, he is a real good sort, there seems nothing he can't pull through, amongst his many accomplishments, he was a 2<sup>nd</sup> hand dealer, so he is going to put a price on some of our rubbish. Oddey by name, was steward on the *Bambra*, butler to Sir John Forrest.

Aug 31<sup>st</sup>

About Gers pension. You seem to say, he was lucky to get anything. You don't know perhaps all men holding permanent positions, who joined the service previous to a certain fixed year, can demand a pension. Rolland had a big fight & succeeded in getting some pension, but he resigned whilst holding a temporary one. The Commissioner took a mean advantage.

The Appeal Board's letter to Ger. Put concisely it is this, "As the Commissioner refuses to fix your salary or classify your position, we have no jurisdiction. We asked the Solicitor General to see that justice was done, to an old & trusted servant." A couple of members say they will bring it up in the House. Any way it is not finished with yet. Ger's solicitor Unmack says it is personal grudge.